## CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY

## INFORMATION REPORT

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- The Soviet Army units, which arrived in 1951 in the Timisoara district along the Yugoslav frontier, in the Arad-Timisoara-Lugoj-Orsova-Turnu Severin area, are supplied by Uniunea Coperativelor, Timisoara with the following quantities of foodstuffs monthly: 1,000 tons of potatoes, 500 tons of various vegetables, and 250 tons of flour. The Rumanian army in the area, including police and Securitate units, receive separately about one-third the above quantities. This supply represents the total requirements of the units for these commodities.
- 2. The following Soviet Army units are known to be stationed in the Timisoara regions
  - An armored unit consisting of several thousand men, on the eastern out skirts of Lipova (grid reference Rumania 1:100,000 sheet 1560 Arad 2973/6243).
  - Another large armored unit on a hillside near Radna in the direction of Soimos (grid reference Rumania 1:100,000 sheet 1560 Arad 2969/6257).
  - Large mobile units, possibly armored, in the former barracks of the 5 Rumanian Mountain Division near the center of Timisoara, to the southeast of a large cemetery and just to the north of Soseaua Arad.
  - d. Another mobile unit in new wooden barracks erected in the former market due south of the cemetery.
  - A motorized infantry unit at Arad.
  - f. An infantry unit at Lugoj.
- 3. No Rumanian troops are stationed at Timisoara, where there are only police and Securitate. Rumanian army units are stationed mainly in villages, in recently erected wooden barracks. The following are known:

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- a. An infantry unit at Pescaretul Mic, between Timisoara and Lovrin.
- b. An infantry unit at Sacalaz, between Timisoara and Jimbolia.
- c. Two infantry regiments at Jebel, between Timisoara and Deta.
- d. An infantry unit at Fratelia, about 5 km from Timisoara.
- e. Additional Rumanian units at Arad, Lipova, Lugoj, Caransebes and Oravita.
- 4. Large excavation works have been observed at a distance of two to three kms. from the village of Giarmata, not far from the woods due north of Timisoara. The site can be reached either by leaving the main road near Giarmata and traveling east on a dirt road, or in good weather by means of a track leading northeast directly from Timisoara. The labor employed on the site believe that an underground airfield is being built there.

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